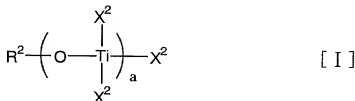


Claims

1. A process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization, which comprises the steps of:

(1) reducing a titanium compound represented by the following formula [I] with an organomagnesium compound in the presence of an organosilicon compound having an Si-O bond, thereby obtaining a solid product, and

(2) contacting the solid product with a halogeno compound of the 14 group element, at least one member selected from the group consisting of an electron donor compound (E1) and an organic acid halide, and a compound having a Ti-halogen bond, thereby obtaining the solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization,



wherein "a" is a number of 1 to 20, R^2 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and X^2 is a halogen atom or a hydrocarbyloxy group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and all of X^2 may be the same or different from one another.

2. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 1, wherein the step (2) comprises:

(i) contacting the solid product with the electron donor compound (E1) to obtain a contacted product, and

(ii) contacting the contacted product obtained with the halogeno compound of the 14 group element and a compound
5 having a Ti-halogen bond.

3. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 1, wherein the step (2) comprises:

10 (i) contacting the solid product with the compound having a Ti-halogen bond and the organic acid halide to obtain a contacted product, and

(ii) contacting the contacted product obtained with the halogeno compound of the 14 group element, the electron donor
15 compound (E1) and the compound having a Ti-halogen bond.

4. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 1, wherein the step (2) comprises:

20 (i) contacting the solid product with a mixture of the compound having a Ti-halogen bond and an ether to obtain a contacted product,

(ii) contacting the contacted product obtained in the above (i) with the organic acid halide to obtain a contacted
25 product,

(iii) contacting the contacted product obtained in the above (ii) with a mixture of the halogeno compound of the 14 group element, a carboxylic acid ester and an ether to

obtain a contacted product, and

(iv) contacting two times the contacted product obtained in the above (iii) with a mixture of the compound having a Ti-halogen bond and an ether.

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5. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 1, wherein the step (2) comprises:

(i) contacting the solid product with a mixture of the
10 compound having a Ti-halogen bond and an ether to obtain a contacted product,

(ii) contacting the contacted product obtained in the above (i) with the organic acid halide to obtain a contacted product,

15 (iii) contacting the contacted product obtained in the above (ii) with a mixture of the compound having a Ti-halogen bond, a carboxylic acid ester and an ether to obtain a contacted product,

(iv) contacting the contacted product obtained in the
20 above (iii) with a mixture of the halogeno compound of the 14 group element and an ether to obtain a contacted product, and

(v) contacting the contacted product obtained in the above (iv) with a mixture of the compound having a Ti-halogen
25 bond and an ether.

6. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 1, wherein

the halogeno compound of the 14 group element contains a compound represented by the following formula,



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wherein M is an atom belonging to the 14 group, R^1 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, X^1 is a halogen atom, m is a valence of M, and n is a number satisfying $0 < n \leq m$.

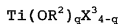
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7. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 6, wherein M contains a silicon atom.

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8. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 1, wherein the titanium compound contains a compound represented by the following formula,

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wherein R^2 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, X^3 is a halogen atom, and q is a number satisfying $0 < q \leq 4$.

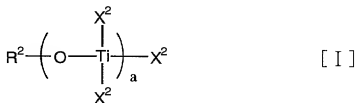
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9. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 1, wherein "a" in the formula [I] is 2 or 4.

10. A process for producing a solid catalyst component (2) for α -olefin polymerization, which comprises the steps of:

(1) reducing a titanium compound represented by the following formula [I] with an organomagnesium compound in the presence of an organosilicon compound having an Si-O bond and an ester compound, thereby obtaining a solid product, and

(2) contacting the solid product with a halogeno compound of the 14 group element, at least one member selected from the group consisting of an electron donor compound (E1) and an organic acid halide, and a compound having a Ti-halogen bond, thereby obtaining the solid catalyst component (2) for α -olefin polymerization,



wherein "a" is a number of 1 to 20, R^2 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and X^2 is a halogen atom or a hydrocarbyloxy group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and all of X^2 may be the same or different from one another.

11. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 10, wherein the step (2) comprises:

(i) contacting the solid product with the electron donor compound (E1) to obtain a contacted product, and

(ii) contacting the contacted product obtained with the halogeno compound of the 14 group element and the compound
5 having a Ti-halogen bond.

12. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 10, wherein the step (2) comprises:

10 (i) contacting the solid product with the compound having a Ti-halogen bond and the organic acid halide to obtain a contacted product, and

(ii) contacting the contacted product obtained with the halogeno compound of the 14 group element, the electron donor
15 compound (E1) and the compound having a Ti-halogen bond.

13. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 10, wherein the step (2) comprises:

20 (i) contacting the solid product with a mixture of the compound having a Ti-halogen bond and an ether to obtain a contacted product,

(ii) contacting the contacted product obtained in the above (i) with the organic acid halide to obtain a contacted
25 product,

(iii) contacting the contacted product obtained in the above (ii) with a mixture of the halogeno compound of the 14 group element, a carboxylic acid ester and an ether to

obtain a contacted product, and

(iv) contacting two times the contacted product obtained in the above (iii) with a mixture of the compound having a Ti-halogen bond and an ether.

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14. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 10, wherein the step (2) comprises:

(i) contacting the solid product with a mixture of the
10 compound having a Ti-halogen bond and an ether to obtain a contacted product,

(ii) contacting the contacted product obtained in the above (i) with the organic acid halide to obtain a contacted product,

15 (iii) contacting the contacted product obtained in the above (ii) with a mixture of the compound having a Ti-halogen bond, a carboxylic acid ester and an ether to obtain a contacted product,

(iv) contacting the contacted product obtained in the
20 above (iii) with a mixture of the halogeno compound of the 14 group element and an ether to obtain a contacted product, and

(v) contacting the contacted product obtained in the above (iv) with a mixture of the compound having a Ti-halogen
25 bond and an ether.

15. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 10, wherein

the halogeno compound of the 14 group element contains a compound represented by the following formula,



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wherein M is an atom belonging to the 14 group, R^1 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, X^1 is a halogen atom, m is a valence of M, and n is a number satisfying $0 < n \leq m$.

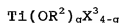
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16. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 15, wherein M contains a silicon atom.

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17. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 10, wherein the titanium compound contains a compound represented by the following formula,

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wherein R^2 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, X^3 is a halogen atom, and q is a number satisfying $0 < q \leq 4$.

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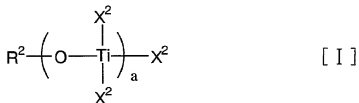
18. The process for producing a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 10, wherein "a" in the formula [I] is 2 or 4.

19. A process for producing a catalyst (1) for α -olefin polymerization, which comprises the steps of:

(1) reducing a titanium compound represented by the following formula [I] with an organomagnesium compound in the presence of an organosilicon compound having an Si-O bond, thereby obtaining a solid product,

(2) contacting the solid product with a halogeno compound of the 14 group element, at least one member selected from the group consisting of an electron donor compound (E1) and an organic acid halide, and a compound having a Ti-halogen bond, thereby obtaining a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization, and

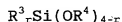
(3) contacting the solid catalyst component (1), an organoaluminum compound and an electron donor compound (E2) with one another, thereby obtaining the catalyst (1) for α -olefin polymerization,



wherein "a" is a number of 1 to 20, R^2 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and X^2 is a halogen atom or a hydrocarbyloxy group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and all of X^2 may be the same or different from one another.

20. The process for producing a catalyst (1) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 19, wherein the electron donor compound (E2) contains an alkoxysilicon compound represented by the following formula,

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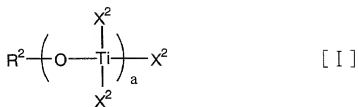
wherein R^3 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms or a hydrogen atom, R^4 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, r is a number satisfying $0 < r \leq 4$, and all of R^3 and all of R^4 may be the same or different from one another, respectively.

21. A process for producing a catalyst (2) for α -olefin polymerization, which comprises the steps of:

- (1) reducing a titanium compound represented by the following formula [I] with an organomagnesium compound in the presence of an organosilicon compound having a Si-O bond and an ester compound, thereby obtaining a solid product,
- (2) contacting the solid product with a halogeno compound of the 14 group element, at least one member selected from the group consisting of an electron donor compound (E1) and an organic acid halide, and a compound having a Ti-halogen bond, thereby obtaining a solid catalyst component (2) for α -olefin polymerization, and

(3) contacting the solid catalyst component (2), an organoaluminum compound and an electron donor compound (E2) with one another, thereby obtaining the catalyst (2) for α

-olefin polymerization,



5 wherein "a" is a number of 1 to 20, R^2 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and X^2 is a halogen atom or a hydrocarbyloxy group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and all of X^2 may be the same or different from one another.

10 22. The process for producing a catalyst (2) for α -olefin polymerization according to Claim 21, wherein the electron donor compound (E2) contains an alkoxysilicon compound represented by the following formula,



wherein R^3 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms or a hydrogen atom, R^4 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, r is a number satisfying $0 < r \leq 4$, and all 20 of R^3 and all of R^4 may be the same or different from one another, respectively.

23. A process for producing an α -olefin polymer, which comprises the steps of:

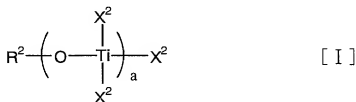
25 (1) reducing a titanium compound represented by the

following formula [I] with an organomagnesium compound in the presence of an organosilicon compound having a Si-O bond compound, thereby obtaining a solid product,

(2) contacting the solid product with a halogeno compound of the 14 group element, at least one member selected from the group consisting of an electron donor compound (E1) and an organic acid halide, and a compound having a Ti-halogen bond, thereby obtaining a solid catalyst component (1) for α -olefin polymerization,

(3) contacting the solid catalyst component (1), an organoaluminum compound and an electron donor compound (E2) with one another, thereby obtaining a catalyst (1) for α -olefin polymerization, and

(4) subjecting an α -olefin to homopolymerization or copolymerization in the presence of the catalyst (1),



wherein "a" is a number of 1 to 20, R^2 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and X^2 is a halogen atom or a hydrocarbyloxy group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and all of X^2 may be the same or different from one another.

24. A process for producing an α -olefin polymer, which comprises the steps of:

(1) reducing a titanium compound represented by the following formula [I] with an organomagnesium compound in the presence of an organosilicon compound having an Si-O bond and an ester compound, thereby obtaining a solid product,

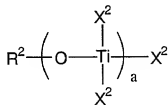
- 5 (2) contacting the solid product with a halogeno compound of the 14 group element, at least one member selected from the group consisting of an electron donor compound (E1) and an organic acid halide, and a compound having a Ti-halogen bond, thereby obtaining a solid catalyst component (2) for
- 10 α -olefin polymerization,

(3) contacting the solid catalyst component (2), an organoaluminum compound and an electron donor compound (E2) with one another, thereby obtaining a catalyst (2) for α -olefin polymerization, and

- 15 (4) subjecting an α -olefin to homopolymerization or copolymerization in the presence of the catalyst (2).

In the present invention, the solid catalyst components (1) and (2) for α -olefin polymerization are hereinafter together referred to as "solid catalyst component" for brevity, and

20 the catalysts (1) and (2) for α -olefin polymerization are also hereinafter together referred to as "catalyst" for brevity,



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wherein "a" is a number of 1 to 20, R^2 is a hydrocarbon group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and X^2 is a halogen atom or a hydrocarbyloxy group having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, and all
5 of X^2 may be the same or different from one another.

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